By: Bivins S.B. No. 1366

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to eligibility under the Early High School Graduation
- 3 Scholarship program.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 56.203, Education Code, is amended to
- 6 read as follows:
- 7 Sec. 56.203. ELIGIBLE PERSON. To be eligible for the Early
- 8 High School Graduation Scholarship program, a person must:
- 9 (1) have the written approval of at least one of the
- 10 person's parents or a person standing in parental relation to the
- 11 person;
- 12 (2) have successfully completed the <u>recommended or</u>
- 13 advanced high school program established under Section 28.025
- 14 [requirements for a public high school diploma] in not more than 36
- 15 consecutive months and graduated or be eligible for graduation from
- 16 a Texas public high school;
- 17 (3) have attended high school in this state only; and
- 18 (4) be a Texas resident as defined by Texas Higher
- 19 Education Coordinating Board rule.
- 20 SECTION 2. Section 56.203, Education Code, as amended by
- 21 this Act, applies only to a person who enters grade nine during or
- 22 after the 2003-2004 school year. A person who enters grade nine
- 23 before the 2003-2004 school year is governed by Section 56.203,
- 24 Education Code, as it existed before amendment by this Act, and the

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- 1 former law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 2 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.